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Headliners



Resignation Submitted

Gen. Vernon A. Walters, deputy director of the Central Intelligence Agency, has announced his resignation. General Walters was a key witness during the Senate Watergate hearings, where he told of being instructed by the White House to quash a Federal Bureau of Investigation inquiry into the Watergate affair. One explanation given for General Walters' resignation was that C.I.A. Director George Bush was anxious to "build his own team," and in doing so wanted to purge the agency of any connection with Watergate. The general's friends say he felt it was time to end a 35-year career in the Army. President Ford has nominated E. Henry Knoche, currently C.I.A. associate deputy director, to succeed General Walters.